

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE – 19 MARCH 2003

**SAFER STREETS
POLICING REPORT
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Report by Director of Community Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise Members of the nature and results of policing issues, operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives over the preceding period, and to advise of forthcoming initiatives.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Members previously agreed to make “Safer Streets” a standing item on the Committee’s agenda. Community Safety is the central theme that guides all policing in East Ayrshire.
- 2.2.1 This report gives a general overview of crime and policing activity in the Local Committee area. Community Constables will continue to report to their respective Community Councils with more detailed information, specific to that area.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 **Crime Trends** (all figures relate to the Local Committee area)

	House breaking to homes	House breaking to garages and sheds	House breaking to Commercial premises, Schools etc.	Vehicle crime	Vandalism	Drugs
April 2001 – Jan 2002	48	12	19	68	104	18
April 2002 – Jan 2003	18	13	18	62	105	17

- 3.1.2 The number of ‘supplying offences’ reported to the Procurator Fiscal fell from 4 to 2.

4 FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Nil.

6 CONCLUSIONS

5.1 Policing in East Ayrshire is designed to combat local concerns and problems. The involvement of Members and the local community is essential to reducing crime and the fear of crime.

6 RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 It is recommended that Committee: -

- i) identify any local problems which may be addressed by a local officers; and
- ii) otherwise note the content of this report.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil.

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